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Re: Docket No. A-90-16

Dear Ms. Smith:

I am writing in support of Ethyl Corporations waiver application to use HiTEC 3000 as a gasoline additive to boost octane.

As a small U.S. Refiner the use of this additive will allow us to stay competitive with major refiners and continue to fill a very important role in the U.S. gasoline marketplace. The octane boost provided by this additive will be the cheapest octanes available and will help small refiners meet the up and coming reformulated gasoline targets.

The extensive work done by Ethyl has shown HiTEC 3000 will reduce emissions, this has to be one the most cost effective strategies I have seen to reduce emissions.

The data Ethyl produced for this waiver application is solid evidence that HiTEC 3000 will help the refining industry in the U.S. while providing an environmental benefit. It is an example of how a problem can be solved and yet provide a dual benefit.

It is our hope that the agency will give this request careful consideration and ultimately approval.

Very truly yours,

Jeff Utley

Refinery Manager